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Foreword

The *EEI* provides up-to-date information on changes in economic and energy activities of major countries. It is updated from press ticker and embassy reporting whenever possible.

Industrial Production

Percent Change From Previous Period
(Seasonally Adjusted at an Annual Rate)

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
						Jan	Feb
							Mar
United States	4.4	-3.6	2.6	-8.1	19.3	19.3	3.6
Japan	8.2	6.8	3.1	0.3	1.2		
West Germany	5.4	-0.8	-2.7	-3.0	22.2	-28.3	
France	4.5	-1.0	-2.3	-1.6	20.8	9.8	
United Kingdom	2.5	-6.5	-4.6	0.8	2.4	13.7	
Italy	6.7	5.5	-5.4	-2.2	NEGL	-8.1	
Canada	5.3	-2.0	2.8	-10.8			

Gross National Product

Percent Change From Previous Period
(Constant Market Prices; Seasonally Adjusted at an Annual Rate)

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	
						1st Qtr
United States	2.8	-0.4	1.9	-1.7	3.1	3.1
Japan	5.2	4.8	3.9	3.0		
West Germany	4.0	1.8	-0.2	-1.1		
France	3.3	1.1	0.2	1.7		
United Kingdom	1.0	-1.4	-2.3	1.4		
Italy	4.9	3.9	0.1	-0.3		
Canada	2.9	0.5	3.1	-4.8		

Consumer Prices

Percent Change From Previous Period
(Seasonally Adjusted at an Annual Rate)

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
						1st Qtr	Apr
United States	11.3	13.5	10.3	6.2	-0.4	-0.4	
Japan	3.6	8.0	4.9	2.6	-0.7	-0.7	1.2
West Germany	4.1	5.5	5.9	5.3	2.0	2.0	1.5
France	10.6	13.5	13.3	12.0	10.9	10.9	
United Kingdom	13.4	18.0	11.9	8.6	2.9	2.9	
Italy	15.7	21.2	19.2	16.4	15.0	15.0	15.6
Canada	9.1	10.2	12.5	10.8	2.6	2.6	

Money Supply, M-1

Percent Change From Previous Period
(Based on Amounts in National Currency Units; Seasonally Adjusted at an Annual Rate)

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983			
					Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
United States ^a	7.7	6.3	7.1	6.5	10.2	24.9	16.8	
Japan	9.9	0.9	3.8	7.1	-60.3	2.7		
West Germany	7.5	2.4	1.1	3.6	41.8	7.5	20.1	
France	12.3	8.5	12.7	13.9	-22.0			
United Kingdom	12.3	4.5	NA	NA	12.8	4.8	9.8	
Italy	23.5	15.8	11.2	11.5				
Canada	6.9	6.4	4.8	1.2	-39.9	17.3	11.6	1.4

^a Including M1-A and M1-B.

Unemployment Rate ^a

Percent
(Seasonally adjusted)

	1980	1981	1982	1983			
				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
United States	7.2	7.6	9.6	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.1
Japan	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.6	
West Germany	4.0	5.6	7.7	9.9	10.1	9.9	9.4
France	6.2	7.5	8.4	8.7	8.9	9.0	9.1
United Kingdom	6.5	10.0	11.7	12.5	12.6	12.7	12.8
Italy	7.6	8.4	9.1				
Canada	7.5	7.6	11.1	12.4	12.5	12.6	12.5

^a Unemployment rates for France are estimated. For comparison with the US rate, the rates for France and the United Kingdom should be increased by 5 percent and 15 percent respectively. Italian rates should be decreased by 50 percent; the rates for Japan, Canada, and West Germany are comparable to US rates.

Foreign Trade

Billion US \$, f.o.b.
(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
					Jan	Feb	Mar
United States ^a							
Exports	181.6	220.7	233.5	212.3	17.4	16.3	16.8
Imports	218.9	257.1	261.0	244.0	20.0	19.0	19.5
Balance	-37.2	-36.4	-27.5	-31.6	-2.6	-2.7	-2.8
Japan							
Exports	101.1	126.8	149.2	137.5	10.7	11.0	11.5
Imports	99.6	125.0	129.5	119.3	9.8	9.3	9.7
Balance	1.5	1.8	19.7	18.2	0.9	1.8	1.8
West Germany							
Exports	171.9	193.2	175.4	176.1	14.4	14.1	15.0
Imports ^b	159.7	188.3	163.4	155.2	12.6	12.5	13.1
Balance	12.2	4.9	12.0	20.9	1.8	1.5	1.9
France							
Exports	100.6	116.0	106.3	96.4	8.2	7.7	8.0
Imports	103.3	130.2	115.6	110.5	9.7	8.8	8.9
Balance	-2.7	-14.2	-9.3	-14.0	-1.4	-1.1	-0.9
United Kingdom							
Exports	86.5	110.2	102.4	97.0	7.2	7.5	7.9
Imports	93.9	107.3	96.0	93.3	8.0	7.7	7.3
Balance	-7.4	2.9	6.3	3.7	-0.8	-0.2	0.6
Italy							
Exports	72.0	78.5	75.2	73.5	6.4	5.4	6.0
Imports	77.0	101.1	91.0	86.2	8.4	6.1	6.4
Balance	-5.0	-22.6	-15.8	-12.8	-2.0	-0.7	-0.4
Canada							
Exports	55.7	65.6	70.3	68.5	5.5	5.7	
Imports	52.2	58.4	64.1	54.1	4.5	4.5	
Balance	3.5	7.3	6.1	14.4	1.0	1.2	

^a Imports are customs values.

^b Imports are c.i.f.

Current Account Balance^a

Billion US \$

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1982		1983		
					3d Qtr	4th Qtr	Jan	Feb	Mar
United States	-0.5	1.5	4.5	-8.1	-5.2 ^b	-6.1 ^b			
Japan	-8.8	-10.7	4.8	6.9	2.9	2.3	-1.4	0.9	1.9
West Germany	-6.2	-16.5	-6.8	3.2	-1.9	4.7	-0.1	0.4	1.1
France	1.2	-7.8	-5.5	-12.0	-3.2	-2.4			
United Kingdom	-3.7	7.4	NA	6.8	1.5	2.8	-0.5	0.1	0.8
Italy	5.5	-9.7	-8.7						
Canada	-4.2	-1.7	-4.4	2.1	0.9	0.9			

^a Converted to US dollars at current market rates of exchange.

^b Seasonally adjusted.

Export Prices in US \$**Percent Change From Previous Period at an Annual Rate**

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
					Jan	Feb	Mar
United States	16.1	10.6	9.2	1.5	-0.9	14.1	
Japan	4.6	7.6	5.7	-5.6	9.6	-30.8	
West Germany	14.6	7.2	-15.2	-2.9	10.2	-17.6	6.4
France	16.1	11.7	-12.0	-5.4			
United Kingdom	22.5	22.5	NA	-7.3	-14.4	-14.9	-22.4
Italy	20.2	17.4	-7.8	-3.3			
Canada	17.8	17.4	3.9	-2.3	39.4	-19.9	

Import Prices in US \$**Percent Change From Previous Period at an Annual Rate**

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
					Jan	Feb	Mar
United States	17.3	27.3	5.3	-2.0	-18.0	-15.2	
Japan	23.6	36.9	3.4	-7.9	-20.3	-1.8	
West Germany	22.3	15.6	-8.3	-5.4	-13.7	-30.2	-7.6
France	16.9	19.4	-7.8	-7.2			
United Kingdom	22.2	24.2	NA	-6.1	-4.5	-15.2	-14.8
Italy	21.2	26.1	1.1	-7.3			
Canada	11.3	16.8	8.4	-1.2	65.8	-58.3	

Exchange Rate Trends**Percent Change From Previous Period at an Annual Rate**

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983			
						Jan	Feb	Mar
Trade-Weighted								
United States	-1.6	-0.4	10.5	10.6	-12.3	16.0		
Japan	-5.5	-4.2	9.3	-5.7	53.6	-5.8		
West Germany	3.9	0.2	-2.1	7.0	3.7	1.3		
France	0	0.5	-5.1	-6.1	5.4	0.9		
United Kingdom	5.6	9.8	2.5	-2.1	-38.4	-13.3		
Italy	-4.3	-4.1	-9.2	-5.1	11.1	-0.7		
Canada	-3.4	-0.1	0.3	0.2	7.3	6.8		
Dollar Cost of Foreign Currency								
Japan	-4.1	-3.5	2.7	-12.8	36.6	-16.9	-11.0	1.5
West Germany	8.7	0.8	-24.6	-7.2	13.0	-18.6	8.3	-16.5
France	5.7	0.7	-28.7	-20.8	12.6	-19.3	-25.8	-66.2
United Kingdom	10.5	9.6	-13.2	-13.4	-27.2	-27.9	-28.1	43.4
Italy	2.1	-3.1	-32.8	-18.8	17.7	-21.3	-29.9	-21.6
Canada	-2.7	0.2	-2.5	-2.9	8.8	1.8	0.3	-5.5

Money Market Rates**Percent**

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983			
						1st Qtr	Jan	Feb
								Mar
United States 90-day certificates of deposit, secondary market	13.63	13.29	16.24	12.49	8.59	8.52	8.62	8.63
Japan loans and discounts (2 months)	6.29	8.32	7.79	7.23		7.13		
West Germany interbank loans (3 months)	9.68	9.66	12.19	8.82	5.71	5.82	5.76	5.56
France interbank money market (3 months)	12.91	12.39	15.47	14.68	12.87	12.64	12.98	13.01
United Kingdom sterling interbank loans (3 months)	16.88	16.72	13.85	12.24	11.25	11.30	11.29	11.15
Italy Milan interbank loans (3 months)	16.97	17.71	20.13	20.15	19.14	19.03	19.11	19.28
Canada finance paper (3 months)	11.88	12.93	18.46	14.48		10.05	9.67	
Eurodollars 3-month deposits	11.97	14.23	16.87	13.25	9.20	9.09	9.27	9.25

Agricultural Prices

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983		
					1st Qtr	Mar	Apr
Beef (£ per pound)							
Australia (Boneless beef, f.o.b., US Ports)	131.5	125.9	113.5	108.7	109.2	113.4	NA
United States (Wholesale steer beef, midwest markets)	101.1	104.3	100.0	101.4	96.7	99.5	NA
Cocoa (£ per pound)	144.3	113.5	89.8	74.3	80.5	80.1	81.4
Coffee (\$ per pound)	1.72	1.54	1.28	1.40	1.26	1.24	1.24
Corn (Central Illinois No. 2 yellow, \$ per bushel)	2.66	3.01	3.14	2.42	2.59	2.82	3.08
Cotton (Memphis middling 1 1/16 inch, \$ per pound)	0.6328	0.8219	0.7243	0.6073	0.6311	0.6638	0.6487
Palm Oil (United Kingdom 5% bulk, c.i.f., \$ per metric ton)	653.84	583.08	570.67	445	NA	NA	NA
Rice (New Orleans No. 2, milled f.o.b., \$ per metric ton)	381	496	565	367	NA	NA	NA
Soybeans (Central Illinois No. 1 yellow, \$ per bushel)	7.07	6.95	6.98	5.86	5.71	5.81	6.18
Soybean Oil (\$ per pound)	0.2768	0.2375	0.2129	0.1837	0.1711	0.1769	0.1944
Sugar (World raw London, bulk \$ per pound)	9.57	28.63	16.88	8.42	6.21	6.18	6.66
Wheat (Kansas City No. 2 hard winter, \$ per bushel)	3.97	4.33	4.36	4.00	4.07	4.16	4.20
Food Index ^a (1975 = 100)	188	232	203	167	164	165	173

^a The food index is compiled by *The Economist* for 16 food commodities which enter international trade. Commodities are weighted by 3-year moving averages of imports into industrialized countries.

Industrial Materials Prices

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	
					1st Qtr	Mar
Aluminum (£ per pound)						
major US producer	60.1	71.6	77.3	76.0	76.0	76.0
LME cash	72.7	80.8	57.4	44.9	54.2	58.6
Chrome Ore (South Africa chemical grade, \$ per metric ton)	56.0	55.0	53.0	50.9	50.0	50.0
Copper ^a (bar, £ per pound)	89.8	98.7	79.0	67.1	72.6	72.3
Gold (\$ per troy ounce)	306.8	612.1	460.0	375.5	465.1	420.3
Lead ^a (£ per pound)	54.3	41.1	32.9	24.7	20.7	20.0
Manganese Ore (48% Mn, \$ per long ton)	67.2	78.5	82.1	79.9	78.2	78.2
Nickel (\$ per pound)						
composite US producer	2.7	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.2
LME Cash	2.6	3.0	2.7	2.2	1.9	2.1
Platinum (\$ per troy ounce)						
major producer	351.5	439.5	475.0	475.0	475.0	475.0
Metals week, New York dealers' price	445.0	677.0	446.0	326.7	444.3	405.2
Rubber (£ per pound)						
Synthetic ^b	41.1	40.6	47.5	45.7	NA	NA
Natural ^c	64.6	73.8	56.8	45.4	49.8	56.1
Silver (\$ per troy ounce)	11.0	20.7	10.5	7.9	12.3	10.7
Steel Scrap ^d (\$ per long ton)	99.4	91.2	92.0	63.1	67.0	73.6
Tin ^a (£ per pound)	698.8	761.3	641.4	581.6	580.9	607.7
Tungsten Ore (contained metal, \$ per metric ton)	17,504	18,219	18,097	13,426	10,356	10,891
US Steel (composite, \$ per long ton)	447.7	486.2	543.5	567.3	582.3	587.2
Zinc ^a (£ per pound)	33.4	34.4	38.4	33.7	31.0	30.6
Lumber Index ^e (1975=100)	188	167	159	140	187	190
Industrial Materials Index ^f (1975=100)	171	184	166	142	142	146

^a Approximates world market price frequently used by major world producers and traders, although only small quantities of these metals are actually traded on the LME.

^b S-type styrene, US export price.

^c Quoted on New York market.

^d Average of No. 1 heavy melting steel scrap and No. 2 bundles delivered to consumers at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and Chicago.

^e This index is compiled by using the average of 11 types of lumber whose prices are regarded as bellwethers of US lumber construction costs.

^f The industrial materials index is compiled by *The Economist* for 19 raw materials which enter international trade. Commodities are weighted by 3-year moving averages of imports into industrialized countries.

**World Crude Oil Production
Excluding Natural Gas Liquids**

Thousand b/d

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	Preliminary 1983	
						Jan	Feb
World	60,131	62,581	59,469	55,818	53,142	51,974	49,563
Non-Communist Countries	46,450	48,647	45,244	41,593	38,679	37,059	34,648
Developed countries	12,196	12,774	12,859	13,579	13,262	13,376	13,715
United States	8,707	8,550	8,597	8,572	8,654	8,711	8,677
Canada	1,313	1,496	1,424	1,285	1,241	1,232	1,358
United Kingdom	1,082	1,568	1,619	1,811	2,117	2,108	2,291
Norway	356	403	528	501	518	524	624
Other	738	757	691	717	732	801	765
Non-OPEC LDCs	4,447	4,945	5,444	6,027	6,637	7,035	6,399
Mexico	1,209	1,461	1,937	2,312	2,749	2,978	2,312
Egypt	485	525	595	598	665	730	730
Other	2,753	2,959	2,912	3,117	3,223	3,327	3,357
OPEC	29,807	30,928	26,941	22,680	18,780	16,648	14,534
Algeria	1,161	1,154	1,020	803	710	700	600
Ecuador	202	214	204	211	208	200	180
Gabon	209	203	175	151	154	150	155
Indonesia	1,635	1,591	1,576	1,604	1,339	1,300	1,000
Iran	5,242	3,168	1,662	1,381	2,214	2,700	2,400
Iraq	2,562	3,477	2,514	993	972	800	800
Kuwait ^b	1,894	2,213	1,389	947	671	650	800
Libya	1,983	2,092	1,830	1,137	1,158	1,100	900
Neutral Zone ^c	473	568	544	370	311	300	210
Nigeria	1,897	2,302	2,058	1,445	1,295	878	675
Qatar	487	508	471	405	328	253	202
Saudi Arabia ^b	8,066	9,251	9,631	9,625	6,315	4,500	3,800
UAE	1,830	1,831	1,702	1,500	1,214	1,032	1,032
Abu Dhabi	1,446	1,463	1,343	1,131	849	700	700
Dubai	362	354	349	359	358	325	325
Sharjah	22	14	10	10	7	7	7
Venezuela	2,166	2,356	2,165	2,108	1,891	2,085	1,780
Communist countries	13,681	13,934	14,225	14,225	14,463	14,915	14,915
USSR	11,150	11,400	11,700	11,790	12,024	12,410	12,410
China	2,082	2,112	2,118	2,024	2,029	2,085	2,085
Other	449	422	407	411	410	420	420

^a Preliminary.^b Excluding Neutral Zone production, which is shown separately.^c Production is shared equally between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

Big Seven: Inland Oil Consumption

Thousand b/d

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1982	1983			
					3d Qtr	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
United States ^a	18,513	17,006	16,058	15,253	14,808	15,508	14,765	14,892	15,519
Japan	5,171	4,674	4,444	4,200	3,877	4,808			
West Germany	2,664	2,356	2,120	2,024	2,031	2,022			
France	2,107	1,965	1,744	1,632	1,412	1,821	1,687	1,961	
United Kingdom	1,690	1,422	1,325	1,345	1,232	1,378			
Italy ^b	1,620	1,602	1,705	1,618	1,490	1,672	1,674	1,865	
Canada	1,765	1,730	1,617	1,454	1,433	1,458			

^a Including bunkers, refinery fuel, and losses.^b Principal products only.**Big Seven: Crude Oil Imports**

Thousand b/d

	1979	1980	1981	1982	1982	1983			
					Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
United States	6,519	5,220	4,406	3,466	2,956	2,959	2,193	2,042	
Japan	4,846	4,373	3,919	3,657	3,833	3,973	3,715		
West Germany	2,147	1,953	1,591	1,451	1,454	1,351			
France	2,520	2,182	1,804	1,509	1,467	1,594	1,163		
United Kingdom	1,157	893	736	565	356	526	242		
Italy	2,292	1,860	1,816						
Canada	616	557	521	339	192				

OPEC: Crude Oil Official Sales Price ^a

US \$ per barrel

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983			
						Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
OPEC average ^b	12.93	18.67	30.87	34.50	33.63	33.43	31.07	28.74	28.74
Saudi Arabia									
Berri 39° API 1.16% sulfur	13.22	19.33	30.19	34.04	34.68	34.52	30.50	29.50	29.50
Light 34° API 1.70% sulfur	12.70	17.26	28.67	32.50	34.00	34.00	30.00	29.00	29.00
Medium 31° API 2.40% sulfur	12.32	16.79	28.12	31.84	32.40	32.40	28.40	27.40	27.40
Heavy 27° API 2.85% sulfur	12.02	16.41	27.67	31.13	31.00	31.00	27.00	26.00	26.00
Iran									
Light 34° API 1.35% sulfur	12.81	19.45	34.54	36.60	31.05	31.20	31.20	28.00	28.00
Heavy 31° API 1.60% sulfur	12.49	18.49	33.60	35.57	29.15	29.30	29.30	26.90	26.90
Iraq ^c									
35° API 1.95% sulfur	12.62	18.56	30.30	36.66	34.86	34.83	34.83	29.83	29.83
Nigeria									
34° API 0.16% sulfur	14.07	20.86	35.50	38.48	35.64	35.42	29.85	29.85	29.85
UAE									
39° API 0.75% sulfur	13.26	19.81	31.57	36.42	34.74	34.56	34.56	29.56	29.56
Kuwait									
31° API 2.50% sulfur	12.26	18.48	29.84	35.08	32.30	32.30	28.30	27.30	27.30
Libya									
40° API 0.22% sulfur	13.89	21.16	36.07	40.08	35.69	35.50	30.40	30.40	30.40
Venezuela									
26° API 1.52% sulfur	12.75	17.22	28.44	32.88	32.88	32.88	32.88	27.88	27.88
Indonesia									
35° API 0.09% sulfur	13.55	18.35	30.55	35.00	34.92	34.53	29.53	29.53	29.53
Algeria									
42° API 0.10% sulfur	14.14	19.65	37.59	39.58	35.79	35.50	35.50	30.50	30.50
Qatar									
40° API 1.17% sulfur	13.19	19.72	31.76	37.12	34.56	34.49	30.49	29.49	29.49
Gabon									
29° API 1.26 % sulfur	12.80	18.20	31.09	34.83	34.00	34.00	34.00	29.00	29.00
Ecuador									
28° API 0.93% sulfur	12.33	22.41	34.42	34.50	32.96	31.90	31.90	26.70	26.70

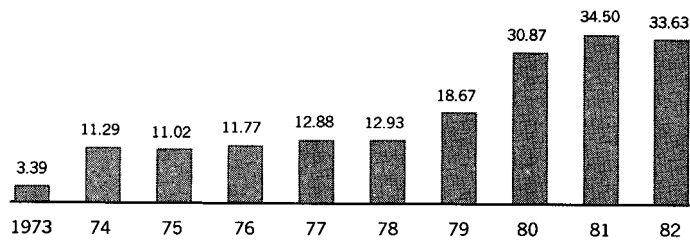
^a F.o.b. prices set by the government for direct sales and, in most cases, for the producing company buy-back oil.

^b Weighted by the volume of production.

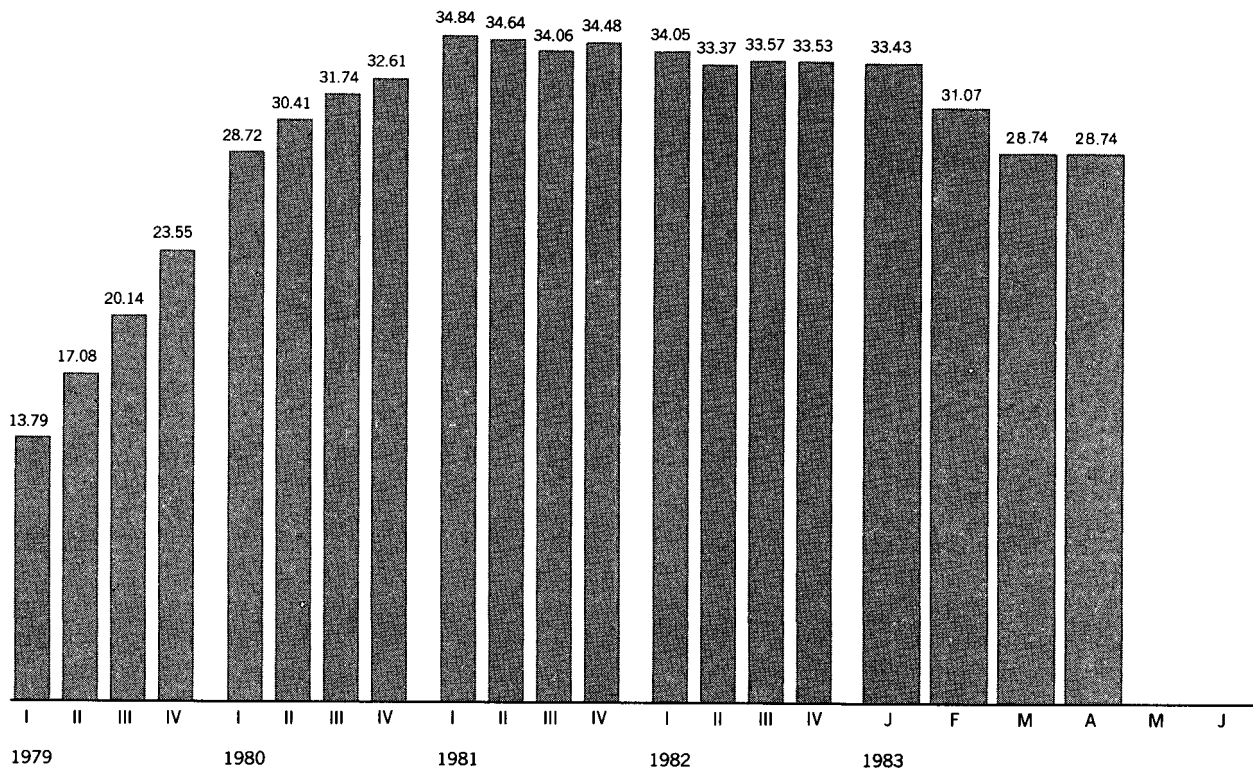
^c Beginning in 1981 the price of Kirkuk (Mediterranean) is used in calculating the OPEC average official sales price.

OPEC: Average Crude Oil Official Sales Price

US \$ per barrel



Annual Average



Pre-1974 prices are derived from posted and are not official sales prices.